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## Crowd protests FAE's

by Joe Heath

McGill was the scene of three demonstrations yesterday. The first was against Fuel Air Explosive (FAE) research, the second was in support of McGill's ongoing divestment from South Africa, and the third was a solitary counterprotest against the first.

Over one hundred students demonstrated outside the Administra-

tion Building where the Board of Governors was scheduled to discuss guidelines for responsible research and to review the ongoing process of divestment.

According to Marc Wills, a member of the Ad-Hoc Committee for Responsible Research, the demonstration was to show that "McGill students do not want university facilities used in the development of weapons of mass de-

struction. We would like the board to adopt a more stringent set of guidelines for research policy."

For the past ten years, McGill professors Knystautas and Lee have been conducting research into the detonation of Fuel Air Explosives, a weapon considered "inhuman" by the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute. Secret documents obtained by the *Daily* indicate that the executive

committee of the Board of Governors has approved a new contract with the Defence Research Establishment worth \$226, 134.

Research policy and divestment were originally slated to be discussed at yesterday's BOG meeting but were tabled until next month. "There may have been some manoeuvring on the part of the Board," said Wills, "but it just gives us more time to organize our re-

sponse."

The McGill Southern Africa Committee (SAC) built a small shanty in support of the Board's divestment efforts. "What we want is to see the divestment process changed so that the Board has a comprehensive blacklist," said SAC member Gwen Schulman.

Under the current procedure, the university investigates a company

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## Ruffling BoG's feathers

by Susie Petersiel

Associate Vice-Principal of Physical Resources Sam Kingdon ruffled a few feathers at Monday's Board of Governors meeting by taking suggestions for a brief to be presented on preservation of mountain land, and then admitting that the brief had already been submitted.

The brief will be presented at next week's city hearings on the creation of a cultural heritage area out of Mount Royal Park and the cemeteries on the mountain.

The Board found both grammar and wording problems in the brief. Of extreme concern to some Francophone governors was the use of the phrase "the campuses of both McGill and U de M be treated separately."

Kingdon's brief suggests this treatment because McGill is grow-

ing and changing constantly, has a "parameter based development plan," has been operating a form of development control and cultural property protection for fifteen years, and "is a leader in conservation of the environment and master-plan development in this regard."

Kingdon proposes that the McGill administration work with city planners to come up with a specific plan for McGill's physical development, based on the work McGill has done in the past in conservation.

"I agree with the intent of the brief," said Governor Jean Richer, "but the word separate has a meaning for me that I don't think should be used in this case."

"I don't see much reflection of compliment from McGill on this [the city's conservation proposal]," said Governor D.J.A. MacSween. "I think we should begin on a posi-

tive note. We should be seconding this proposal for conservation, not asking for exemptions. We shouldn't be saying 'we're such good little boys we should be let out of class early while the rest have to stay in'."

Responding to a question, Kingdon said, "The deadline for submitting the brief is today, and this has already been submitted. But I will submit an amendment as well. The verbal proposal will not be word for word from the brief."

But many governors were concerned that the press will have copies of the original, imperfect brief. "People tend to pay more attention to the written word," said Governor Allan Youster.

The Students' Society and the Student Athletic Council have prepared a brief of their own, which deals more closely with student concerns. And as it stands, the administration's brief will be presented next week, along with the amendment.

## The Financial Crisis

Concerning the university's financial state, Principal David Johnston said "it is a source of major disappointment that there are very few significant steps in (Minister of Higher Education) Claude Ryan's envisaged proposal. He has not changed his hypotheses in regards to the expenditure of funds provided for universities."

Although Ryan's final 1987-88 distribution of funds will be announced later this week, Johnston

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## To the Daily:

Re: Catherine de Fontenay's rebuttal to the jaywalking editorial.

Ms. de Fontenay seems quite confident that she would make a better journalist than a *Daily* staff member. I agree that "a journalist with the social awareness of a flea is a sad sight," but where does this leave you, Ms. de Fontenay? Do you really believe that all prostitutes are "girls who were kidnapped, tricked, drugged, or forced into prostitution"? I am certain that there are exceptions, but most prostitutes are in it for the money, or because they enjoy it, or both. Why don't you "have a good look at the times and places where prostitution is legal"? You state that in the region of Holland where prostitution is legal, 99 per cent of the women are prostitutes. Even if you were half as intelligent as you think you are, you might have bothered to get your facts straight. Prostitution is legal everywhere in Holland. Does this mean that 99 percent of Dutch women are prostitutes? I have lived a total of about one year of my life in Holland, and I can't say that I have ever met a prostitute. I suppose that the couple hundred or so women that I know there are the other one percent. Wake up and smell the coffee, Ms. de Fontenay, you are leading a sadly sheltered life.

Anouk Hoedeman  
Concordia student

## To the Daily:

We, the executive and members of the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC), are appalled at the anti-Fraternity attitude of the *McGill Tribune*, and resent the abuse of the *Tribune* by its editorial staff in taking cheap shots at McGill's Fraternity system.

Between March and August, the IFC sent three letters to the *Tribune's* editors requesting that articles written by the IFC be included in issues of the paper. We were ignored — the *Tribune* editors never sent us a letter, nor answered any of the messages we left in their Students' Society mailbox.

We finally managed to trap the Trib staff in their office, delivering an article in mid-August, well before the deadline for the first September issue. By October, we had submitted three articles, none of which were printed. By this time, of course, most Fraternities and Sororities had basically finished their Rush periods, and thus the article was less useful for us.

In the Tuesday, September 6 issue, the *Tribune* finally managed to include an IFC article. However, the editors chose to mangle the text: they somehow managed to fit 12 typographical errors into only 42 lines. As well, the meaning of the text was changed in several places by the editor's modifications. The *Plumbers' Pot*, constantly criticized at sneered at (sic) by the *Tribune*, recently published an IFC article of roughly triple the length of the *Tribune* article, yet only one typographical error was made.

All these annoyances could be attributed to simply inept and un-

professional editing, were it not for the multitude of pot-shots taken at Fraternities elsewhere in the issue. Let's start with the Blood Drive: first, the Fraternities are unjustifiably blamed for the theft of the Blood Drive banner (page 3); second, the fact that a couple of volunteers did not show up for Monday morning (8am) set-up was mentioned, while none of the positive contributions of the Fraternities and Sororities were mentioned in the article. Wednesday, designated "Frat Day" at the Blood Drive, the IFC provided virtually all the volunteer labour, as well as donating blood.

In fact, we staged a competition among the Fraternities and Sororities, providing (with our own money) prizes worth roughly \$100.00 to the winning house. This effort resulted in 26 per cent of our 383 members giving blood, a percentage we believe is unmatched by other groups and roughly triple that of the overall student body.

In addition to the warped representation of Fraternity support for the Blood Drive and the mauling of or much-delayed article, a cheap little barb was thrown our way in another article: "tired old Fraternity houses wheezed to the ground" (page 6). This was the last straw.

We find it abhorrent that the *Tribune's* editors have chosen to abuse the power of their medium in an attempt to bias the students body's image of Fraternities and Sororities at McGill. While the *McGill Daily*, the *Plumbers' Pot*, that *Faucet*, and other campus papers respond to students criticisms and take steps to improve content and coverage, the *Tribune* plunges to new lows in childish tricks, intentional typographical errors, and misrepresentation of the facts. As a publication of the Students' Society of McGill, the *Tribune* claims "this is YOUR paper."

Bullshit

Michael Cottam  
President, McGill Inter-Fraternity Council

## The Pot Responds

## To the Daily,

Recently and on many occasions The *Plumber's Pot* has been heavily criticized for its content. The critics have accused the paper of being sexist, racist, crude, degrading and countless other adjectives. According to those who dislike our publication, our mandate which is to provide a humorous, satirical Engineering newspaper is not being met.

We question that. If the *Plumber's Pot* is so offensive to the reader then why are all the 3000 issues taken home by supposed Engineering students (for whom it is written) within two weeks of its release? If this paper is so offensive, then why has it been a proud and anticipated tradition of McGill Engineering for over 30 years. I should note that during that period the format of the paper has remained basically the same.

As the new editors of the Pot we are genuinely concerned about the rights of our fellow women engi-

neers and we certainly do not try and lash out at them, their sex, or any other racial minorities. Our sole purpose is to provide our readers with humorous material.

So when we read or hear a complaint from someone about our general content we get frustrated. After all, the readers (and most students on campus) are familiar with the *Plumber's Pot* or its style. Therefore if the person chooses to read the paper, why should they be so shocked? Unless they are looking to be shocked. Which in such a case how seriously should one take the resulting criticism? It is like going to a movie about a subject which offends you and then walking out during the film and demanding your money back from the theatre because you found the movie very displeasing. That may have been a loose analogy, however it does exemplify the scenario that we the editors are experiencing.

As the editors of the *Plumber's Pot*, we try to provide our loyal Engineering readers with the humorous material that they want to read, as dictated by the present demand. However, we do not at any time intentionally degrade or humiliate any person or persons for the purpose of humour. We, the new editors, honestly use our moral judgement in everything that we publish. We encourage feedback from our readers regarding our content and request assistance from anyone on how we could produce a funnier, less offensive and respectable newspaper. Until the time we do get that assistance and legitimate criticism we will have to do what we believe is asked of us.

This article now ends our involvement in the rallying of printed attacks and rebuttals between campus newspapers. We have stated our case and we will no longer participate in these childish acts of slander. We have more important things to do, such as the difficult and time consuming task of producing a hopefully pleasing and funny engineering newspaper.

Peter Bissegger  
Steve Lightfoot  
Paul Murauskas  
Jeff Murva  
The *Plumber's Pot* Editors

## To the Daily:

In 1985, due to massive student pressure, the McGill Board of Governors agreed to divest from South Africa.

Two years later, McGill still owns shares in at least 14 major corporations with capital investment in South Africa. This is a significant decrease since 1985, however, this year, in direct contravention to the 1985 agreement, McGill has invested in three corporations with links to South Africa. It appears that the Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility cannot blacklist corporations until the Investment Committee has officially bought the shares. This would indicate that the Investment Committee has no control over its managers' purchasing of shares. In the 1985 agreement, it was resolved that the Investment Committee would not make further investments in corporations controlled by South African

interests. This ambiguity allows McGill to actually regress and to continue to invest in racism. Furthermore, holding on to shares until prices are up and profits can be made is purely callous, selfish profiteering. This should not be a question of economics. The Board of Governors must understand that McGill cannot afford not to divest. Gwen Schulman  
Belinda Smith  
Southern Africa Committee

## To the Daily,

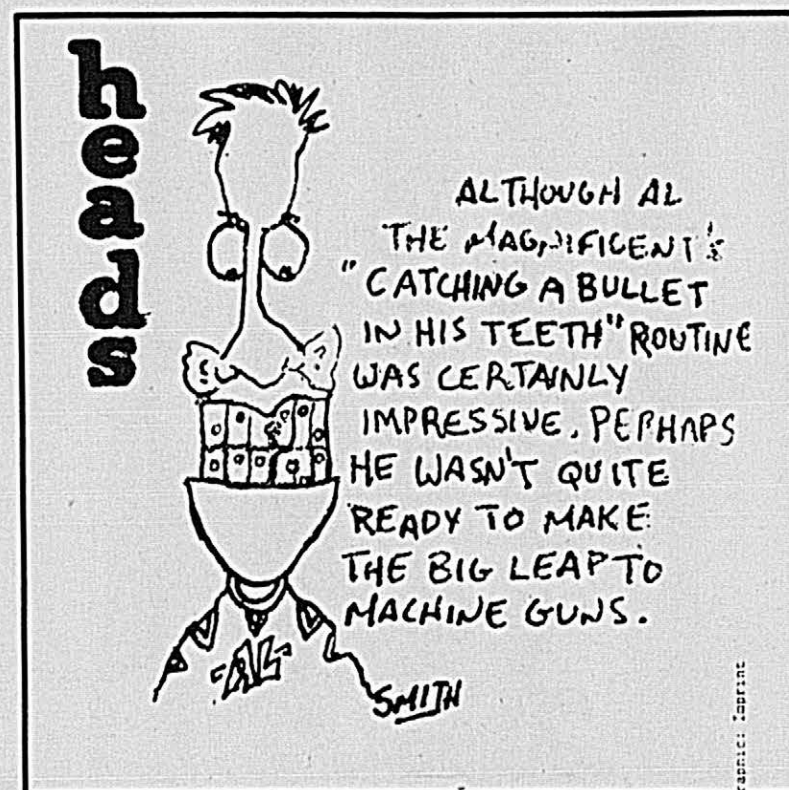
I would like to correct certain potentially misleading statements concerning the Faculty of Arts policy towards Ontario transfer students, which appeared in the article "Losing credits in the switch" (Sept. 22nd, 1987). In the first place, it is no longer accurate to say that we recognize "work done in either grade thirteen or first year with a maximum of thirty credits." the maximum of 30 credits applies only to Grade 13/OAC courses taken in appropriate humanities

Martin Petter  
Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts

## McGill Film Society gets free ad.

## To the Daily,

The McGill film society takes pride in this year's diverse selection of over 90 films as well as its continued policy of keeping its admission prices as low as possible. This year the society has attempted to select films that appeal to as wide a range of student tastes as possible. Our free Wednesday night series is unique in Montréal in screening some of the great classics of cinematography, such as *Destiny*, *Intolerance*, and avant-garde films. This is the third year the Society has run this series, and its success is reflected in the ever-increasing attendance. Our Thursday, Friday and Saturday night selection consists of a varied selection of films chosen to appeal to a wide yet sophisticated audience. This year the Society presents a number of French language films, including *Mon Oncle Antoine* (free) and *La*



and social science subjects with a final grade of 75 per cent. Courses taken subsequently at university, so long as they do not duplicate those already given credit will also be considered, subject to the faculty's usual transfer regulations and the 60 credit residence requirement.

While I obviously cannot discuss the particulars of individual cases, I can point out that the position of the Queen's University student is not exactly as described in the article. Furthermore, it should be understood that the Admissions Office does not enact its own policies, but rather implements those approved by individual faculties in the university. For the faculty of Arts, this year is a transitional one insofar as Ontario admissions policy is concerned; starting next year, no advanced credits will be awarded for grade 13/OAC courses. I would like to assure Ontario students entering McGill that their files are currently undergoing a final review of advanced credit. Any students who believe that they have not received their full entitlement should feel free to consult the Admissions Office, or after October, my office in Dawson hall.

*Lune dans le Caniveau*. Other films include early and recent greats such as the 1951 version of *The Thing*, *On the Waterfront*, *Sid and Nancy*, *Down by Law* and *My Dinner with André*. Any suggestion that the Society's schedule is poor and uninspired is gratuitous and unfounded; we take offence with the cheap shot in the Student Handbook that likened our selection to the one the Elks Club might make. Rather, much care and thought was spent in producing a well balanced line-up. Pick up a schedule to judge for yourself; they are always available at our office and at the Student Society desk in the Union Building.

This year the Film Society has more than trebled its membership, and with more than 800 members is the largest student group on campus. The five dollar membership fee allows members to see the Thursday, Friday and Saturday night films for only one dollar; non-members pay \$2.50. Memberships may be purchased at any film.

Over the next three weeks the Society will be preparing the Spring '88 schedule. We welcome

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# Marching for accessible abortions

by Heather Hueston

A small twin-engine plane flew a banner over 800 men and women protesting the declining accessibility of free and safe abortions in Québec City on Sunday.

To a chorus of boos and catcalls, the message on the banner read: "Abortion on demand is a crime - think about it."

Ironically, thinking about that fact led the Coalition québécoise pour le droit à l'avortement libre et gratuit to organize the demonstration. The Coalition wants abortion to be a right, not a crime and motherhood to be a woman's choice, not society's obligation. Similar marches were held in Toronto, Edmonton and Vancouver.

The right to have abortions is suffering a backlash, despite gains made after the 1969 law legalizing therapeutic abortions.

"We can't take accessible abortions for granted anymore. Prosecution, underfunding, and the right to choose are the three main issues," said McGill Women's Union member Carlene Gardner. The hour-long march ended at the Parliament buildings where messages of solidarity were read from women's groups including one from the American National Organization of Women (N.O.W.) whose mobilisation of almost 125,000 women last year was the model for the Coalition's march.

The only danger during the march was due to the absence of police to block off the route even though march organizers said the police

had been advised. Human chains were formed to hold back cars and let the marchers proceed. Some protestors were "nudged" by impatient drivers.

A large number of participants came from the Montréal region including students from Concordia/McGill, UQAM, CEGEPS and some unions.

The march was timed to bring attention to the U.S. Supreme Court's deliberation on whether women have a constitutional right to abortion.

Coalition committee member Colleen Levis says injunctions against the community health clinics (CLSCs) in Québec have restricted areas where abortions are available. At the CLSC in Ste-Thérèse, the administration refused to allow abortion services despite a Coalition survey showing a majority of users wanted the service. The provincial government is also cutting back money for use during abortions.

The Coalition wants Québec Justice Minister Herbert Marx to stop prosecutions being brought against doctors who perform abortions. But ministerial privilege isn't enough - to free doctors and institutions from the threat of legal hassles and pro-life pressure, abortion must be legalized.

Joanne Deschamps, another Committee member, says many doctors are asking for the money upfront rather than going through government channels for their "\$93 or whatever." Doctors also risk being identified as an abortion



Daily Photo - Heidi Hollinger

practitioner. "So many women are paying several hundred dollars not counting transportation and lost wages," Deschamps said.

The number of legal abortions in Canada dropped from 65,855 in 1979 to 60,928 in 1985. The number of hospitals with therapeutic abortion committees is down from 267 in 1981 to 244 in 1984. These committees are non-existent in

Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland. Only Québec has granted the right to perform abortions in the community clinics.

Expectations for marcher turnout were high but some groups sent smaller numbers than they had estimated. Université de Sherbrooke sent 40 rather than 300 and according to McGill Women's union

member J.C. Chayer, the unions were the big disappointment. "There were supposed to be thousands

here. (The Coalition has) been planning this for months. I don't think I saw one CEQ (Central d'Enseignants du Québec) and there weren't many CSN (Conseil des Syndicats National) and they didn't even have placards."

## CKUT debut postponed

by Mike Gordon

For those of you anxiously awaiting the debut of Radio McGill/CKUT on the FM airwaves, it will be a while yet before you can tune it in.

"We're ready to go on air—with equipment, with programming, with everything," says CKUT Station Manager Susan Elrington, "all we need is permission to go ahead."

Although granted an FM licence earlier this year by the Canadian Radio and Television Commission,

the station is awaiting results of tests conducted by the Department of Communications (DoC) and the Ministry of Transport (MoT), before going on the air.

The tests are to determine whether or not the station's output interferes with the Instrument Landing System—used by aircraft for night or foul weather landings—at the region's 5 airports. Three other stations in the area, CHAA, CFLA and CIEL, are either starting up or increasing their signal strength, so the effects of the added radio-spectrum activity must be de-

termined before they are permitted to go ahead. A small, specially equipped aircraft—the only one of its kind in Canada—is used to perform these tests. Unfortunately, the plane's services are booked far in advance and the prevailing weather conditions must be within certain limits for the test results to be valid.

As for when the station will be on air, "it's really up in the air," said Elrington. The station had hoped to be on the air by October 15th. "All dates have been tentative because we have never had a definite indication of when the tests would be completed," she said.

The station has been allowed to go on air for short periods of time between midnight and 06h00 for equipment tests. When the test aircraft was in Montréal last, a portion of the testing was performed and CKUT was broadcasting for short intervals, as part of the test procedure, during the day.

"The phone was ringing with people who were enthusiastic about the sound quality they were receiving," said Elrington.

The station will go on the air as soon as it is given the go-ahead by the DoC and the MoT, but the actual 'launch date'—really a promotional event—will be one to two weeks later to allow for word to get around.

CKUT will eventually broadcast at 90.3 MHz on the FM band, with a signal strength of 5700 watts—loud enough to be heard as far as the U.S. border on clear days—featuring a music/voice ratio of 55/45 percent.



Daily Photo - Heidi Hollinger

## Gazette strikers start boycott

by Karen Valihora

Accusations, counter-accusations, propagandizing and allegations of "hooliganism" are in fashion as the lockout of mailroom and press operators at *The Gazette* enters its 14th week.

On September 29th, affected employees of the Montréal *Gazette* launched a campaign to boycott the paper and its advertisers, in an effort to force an end to the lockout.

Last week *The Gazette* ran three consecutive full page ads about the lockout and the negotiations, focusing on the union's demands, from the perspective of the paper's management.

"No offer of similar space was extended to us, and meanwhile the tone of their articles make our union and our demands look completely

in the wrong," said Serge Pressault, a member of the union, local 41M of the Graphic Communications International Union (GCIU).

"(Gazette publisher Clarke) Davey is not a liar, he just stretches the truth and omits certain things, to make it look as though we did things that we were not even aware of," he said.

Last Tuesday's edition called the Fédération des Travailleurs et travailleuses du Québec (FTQ) and *Gazette* union, (an FTQ affiliate) "the Goon Squad" and implied that it was involved in acts of vandalism such as covering newspapers intended for home delivery with pig manure, to an invasion of the *Gazette's* West Island bureau, "by a mob of 80 people who held the staff hostage while they destroyed

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"Revolutions are always verbose"  
Leon Trotsky

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## McGill-Québec goes to the movies

McGill-Québec, the association promoting french on campus, is in full swing: the *Comité de la semaine francophone*, which is organizing a week full of french activities (March 14-18) had its first meeting last Monday. The week's activities will include concerts, a beer festival, conferences, movies and much more. Speaking of films, along with McGill's Film Society, three french movies will be presented during this week and it is rumoured that a famous director will come to talk about his latest films. But shh! I don't want to say much about it; to find out, you will have to come to the first meeting of the *Comité de cinéma* in conjunction with the *Comité de la semaine francophone* this Monday, Oct. 19 in the Alley at 19h15 or... wait till March.

Also, on November 3rd, a good movie (francophone, bien sûr) will be presented. If you have any suggestions, by all means come October 19th in The Alley (3480 McTavish, basement) and let us know your ideas and/or moviemania. Also don't miss the next french movies of the Film Society (*La Grande Illusion* on October 21 and *Diva* on October 23). By the way, Nathalie (931-8901) is responsible for the *Comité de la semaine francophone*. François (489-6035) is responsible for the *Comité de cinéma*. Finally, for all the francophones at McGill (more than 28 percent of the student population) venez vous impliquer avec des gens motivé(e)s et motivants: McGill-Québec. For the rest of the population, the same thing as for the francophones and find a friend who can translate for you. Salut!  
François Donneur, McGill-Québec



George and Martha are the kind of people who like sitting around on the beach watching people turn into watermelons.

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## Responsive careers

What an appalling and abysmal lack of perception was shown by your correspondent, Mr. Greg Malatestinic, who wrote (or perhaps one would say "revealed and exposed himself") to the *Daily* (Letters, Wednesday, October 17th). His communication showed an extremely naive understanding of the issues involved as well as a rather crass misunderstanding of the full impact of the short article he criticized (Hyde Park, Wednesday, October 7th).

Your correspondent wrote that "it came as no surprise" to him that Project Ploughshares "made a whole lot of noise about companies 'with ties to the military' participating in Career Day." Methinks our aberrant mathematician either misread the article or misinterpreted the well thought out and balanced line of argumentation set forth in the said Hyde Park. Bear with us when we quote from that incisive and perceptive piece of ethical stimulus: "Your career is important to you; it should fulfill your needs and expectations. But do your goals include building a career on the manufacture of weapons and military equipment? Many of the companies represented at yesterday's Career Day didn't give you the full story of their activities at home and abroad... Your choice of employer has important social implications. By contributing your talent and education to one part of an organization you are, in effect, supporting the actions of the entire corporation. Research the activities of your prospective employer before getting involved."

These well chosen words can hardly be called "making a noise", nor should the helpful suggestions being made by Ploughshares, with regard to one's choice of career and the sensitivity with which one should approach an assessment of the activities of prospective employers, be unjustly condemned as "sensationalism." In addition, one can hardly say that advice couched in such terms, is "typical of how they (Ploughshares) believe they have the right to jam their ideology down our throats." Goodness gracious! Mr. Malatestinic how can you possibly be taken seriously after having made such a misguided and emotional statement. We would suggest that you re-read the article and try to find examples of anyone jamming anything down anyone's throat — with the eyes of restraint, common sense, cool reason and impartiality, you should rather find suggestions about what to be careful of on the occasion of seeking a career.

Now let us turn to Mr. Malatestinic's exposition of his understanding of what Career Day was all about: "the purpose of Career Day was to bring together business and academics. Since many military researchers and manufacturers will be hiring

McGill graduates, it was appropriate that they were a part of Career Day." Surely this facile and simplistic statement begs the whole question and overlooks the very point of why so many groups on this campus and elsewhere are trying to raise the consciousness and the ethical awareness of "academics" and "business". There are numerous ethical and moral questions about involvement in industries which produce machines of death and destruction. Merely to accept the morality of such enterprises because some of these industries will be hiring McGill graduates is to overlook the fundamental question of the ethics involved in the very existence and essential contribution of such malevolent industries. The Ploughshares writers did not, we repeat, did not say that such companies should not have participated in the Career Day. This sentiment could have been added to their article, but it wasn't. What was said was that "your choice of employer has important social implications."

One such implication may be drawn from the war in the Middle East. Since the start of the Iran/Iraq war, more than 53 countries have sold arms to either Iran or Iraq — and more than half a million persons have died as a result of this. Canada is one of those countries — helicopter parts have been shipped to Iran. Surely there are ethical and moral questions that must be asked by anyone contemplating an active involvement in the armaments industry? No one can jam anything down your throat, but if one is a rational, moral, sensitive and informed person, then welcome information and data which should help one make an informed and just decision. Because a firm hires graduates does not make it morally acceptable to support them and to encourage them in their economic pursuit of machines of death and destruction. What the firm or company actually does should be the basis for the moral judgement on the ethics of their line of production.

Mr. Malatestinic's comment that the Hyde Park written by the Ploughshares representatives "does not speak for everyone" is quite true — but it does speak for the undersigned groups.

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# ADAPT OR DYE!

South African comedian fights Apartheid:

Not surprisingly, Uys' success has created an entirely new set of challenges.

"Success is always dangerous. Am I losing my edge, my anger? Or my commitment? I know the authorities are using me. They come to my shows with U.S. senators and point out that in a real police state I would never be tolerated."

He only hopes he can stay one step ahead of the game. He abides by a formula that has so far kept him out of trouble.

"My philosophy is 49 per cent anger, 51 per cent comedy, because an angry person makes a boring speech. That's not what theatre is about."

Still Uys does not pretend to have all the answers. While his

from Cape Town will entertain students with his biting, satirical portrait of the oppressive South African political system and draw students into a discussion of the country's current situation.

In Adapt or Dye, Uys uses a series of sketches — some comic, some deeply disturbing — to tear the ideals of South African Apartheid to pieces. No subject is sacred, and no one is above being chopped at by Uys' viciously funny axe. He does not merely

Over the past 15 years his plays have been systematically banned, but to everyone's surprise, it was not because he stood up to the hated apartheid regime. He simply made the mistake of using the word 'God', which made his work blasphemous, and words like 'kak' (fart) which made his work obscene.

Uys, a White South African, has never been detained or beaten, but his condemnation of the apartheid regime is strong.

Beginning with his one-man shows in 1981, Uys decided to learn the laws and how to get around them. Although he knows the authorities are watching, he refuses, unlike many South



ability to mirror the lunacy in his home country is invaluable, he is uncertain of his impact upon stubborn White arrogance. And he does not have a vision of the future, speaking vaguely of his belief that there must be some meeting ground that doesn't allow violence.

As he ponders his own future, his infectious humour recedes momentarily.

"I don't think I can go on much longer. I want to write a play about birds, trees — life. I mean, how can I go on about the culture of death? It's grim. And in South Africa, it's less grim than here, because when I'm here I'm talking to you and reading the newspapers and smelling freedom. It frightens me to death."

He smiled again. "I want to go back to the war, where the phone is tapped."

## Laughing it off

by Andrea Aster  
and Shannon Thompson  
Canadian University Press

**E**nemies of Apartheid have assaulted the South African system of racial segregation with everything from bullets to divestments.

South African Pieter-Dirk Uys uses laughter.

"It's the only weapon that hasn't killed anyone here yet," he said. "But it's a very strong weapon. In South Africa, every time I get just a few people to share a laugh at a pompous politician, that's a chip away."

After the closing of his one-man play, Adapt or Dye at the University of Toronto, Uys will

embark on a two to three week tour of Canadian university campuses. Until his visa runs out on Nov. 7, the Jewish Afrikaner



impersonate his chosen political targets, he becomes them — brilliantly. His Pieter Botha, all quivering lips and pointing fingers ("we want peace... the biggest piece") and Margaret Thatcher, for whom he doesn't even bother to stuff his blouse, are fantastic. Both of them continuously repeat the same redundant political rhetoric while the lights gradually obscure them into darkness.

Through his portrayal of some 18 people, ranging from Desmond Tutu to ordinary South Africans, Uys has helped spawn an age of political satire in South Africa. He has gone farther than anyone in publicly lampooning the government. So at home and abroad, people frequently ask him how he gets away with it.



Africans, to be intimidated into self-censorship.

"I'm not going to be a victim of fear. No way. I make it clear on stage that I regard all the little things that happen to me as material for tomorrow night," he said.





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for South African connected holdings only after acquiring the stock. This has led to the 'accidental' purchase of some South African connected stock. According to Schulman, "Under this policy, the divestment process could go on forever."

The shanty was removed shortly after the demonstration ended. "We didn't want the cleaning staff to

have to clean it up," said Schulman, "If the Board had had to clean it up we probably would have left it there."

One lone graduate student, Zende Forbes, marched in opposition to the FAE demonstration, supporting academic freedom in research matters. "They [the anti-FAE demonstrators] don't know what the benefits of the research are. They're a bunch of misinformed

people," he said.

The two McGill professors doing the research argue that the university is responsible for the ethical implications of their work. But many McGill administrators counter that the professors, as specialists, are best able to judge the propriety of their research.

Another demonstration is planned for next month.

Today

Uhuru na ufahamu: general meeting and discussion of issues of silence. 18h00.

Undergraduate library term paper research workshops: Researching Humanities term papers, info on footnotes and bibliography. Redpath reference desk. 13h00-14h00 and 15h00-16h00.

National Council of Jewish Women of Canada: *Jewish identity in a multicultural society* with B. Barry Levy. Canadian Jewish

Congress, 1590 Dr. Penfield. 19h30.

Programming network: Concert featuring the Condition from Md. and the Rainbirds from Berlin. Union ballroom, 21h00, McGill students \$3.

Amnesty International awareness week: petitions, info, videos, music. Union 106-07, 09h00-16h00.

McGill Debating Union: "Men are but clay and women make mugs of them". RVC, University at B. Barry Levy. Canadian Jewish Sherbrooke. 18h00.

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intends to meet with him again. "We must get him to commit new resources to close this relative underfunding gap. He has not done what we feel he should have done."

Two reports were postponed from presentation at the meeting, including one from the Joint Board-Senate Committee on Research Contracts Sponsored by Military Agencies. The delay didn't bother over one hundred students in front of the Administration building, who protested fuel air explosive research at McGill. The noise made it difficult at times to hear inside the building.

Also postponed was the report from the Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility. Professor Abbot Conway attributed the delay to secretarial changes, but said, "The implication of the divestment policy is successful to the point that we are within two per cent, if not completely

divested from our original portfolio. This university has done remarkably well by being the pioneer in Canada regarding this type of policy. To have processed twenty million dollars worth of holdings is impressive."

"Anything remaining comes from bequests or errors," said Daniel Tennenbaum, SSMU President and Committee member. "We're quite ahead of schedule and I think it reflects well on CAMSR and the Board of Governors."

"According to U.S. university standards, this usually takes around five years," said Amy Kaler, student representative to the Board in 1985, when the original divestment decision was made. "It does sound good to me. It's great, and they should keep going. From all indications they are divesting in good faith. But they aren't totally divested until the market value of their stocks is zero."

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the computer terminals."

Pressault denies accusations levelled at the FTQ and his union. "They support the boycott, but that doesn't mean they are employed in vandalism. The leaders of the union haven't suggested this. I cannot tell you how, or why or who did it. I don't know."

"The foremen who are taking our places are called 'amateurs' by Davey. He neglects to mention that he sent all of them and some other workers too, on a special six-week training camp in Arizona and Tennessee to learn how to operate the presses. I wonder how much that set them back. They're not amateurs any more."

"What I want to know," Pressault said, "is why Davey accuses the FTQ and the GCIU of a 'goon squad mentality' and says we 'obviously believe that' our 'best bargaining tactic is a return to this carefully planned and directed hooliganism' and then goes ahead and uses tactics similar to the one's he's accusing us of."

"All week we were in negotiations trying to co-operate and really

get somewhere, and meanwhile he's publishing Tuesday morning that we're using 'featherbedding practices' and Thursday more of the same. That's certainly creating a harmonious atmosphere for negotiations," he added sarcastically.

The union submitted a revised contract proposal to the *Gazette* as a compromise. Union negotiator Denis Fournier said, "we knew that the *Gazette's* main hang ups were with (staffing) and flexibility of scheduling. With this in mind, our proposal gave concessions to the company and we reduced our personnel demands; our proposal was not an ultimatum, it was negotiable and flexible about hours and scheduling."

According to Fournier, Davey's counter-proposal was more of an ultimatum. "Now that we show them we're willing to discuss, they turn around and don't want to negotiate," he said.

Davey said negotiations broke off when the union rejected a proposal which gave job security to full-time employees except those convicted of vandalism during the dispute, and required the union to "give

ground" on staffing and scheduling.

"Davey says people were being paid \$12 per hour to apply labels to bundles in the mailroom. I've never heard of a job like that, all the years I've worked in there," Fournier said.

"Maybe Davey should come down to the mailroom and see how it works," Pressault said.

The conciliator for the two sides has ordered both sides to resume negotiations by this Friday. Meanwhile the union is appealing to all other union members in the Montréal area to support the boycott. So far unions at Canadair, Air Canada, Québecair, Blue Cross and Pratt and Whitney have responded.

The union is also appealing to *Gazette* subscribers to cancel their subscriptions and to advertisers to drop their contracts with the *Gazette*. Pressault says the boycott's effects are being felt. "Davey has asked us to stop (the boycott) even though he says we're not bothering him at all. Why would he ask us to stop if we're not bothering him at all?"

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any and all suggestions as well as any comments or feedback on any aspect of the Society. We're open to new ideas and are always on the

lookout for a few keen individuals. People are needed to write weekly film reviews for the *Tribune* and Radio McGill. Another project is to purchase video equipment for a

film workshop. We can be reached at 398-6825; our office is room 432 of the Union Building.

Patrick Hill  
McGill Film Society

## Education forum nothing new

MONTREAL (CUP)— The National Forum on Post-Secondary Education may be hyped as the first of its kind in Canada, but organizers from Québec say the issues to be debated are nothing new to their province.

The forum, to be held Oct. 25th to 28th in Saskatoon, will tackle basic themes like funding and accessibility, but some Québec members of the organizing committee are less than optimistic.

"Frankly, most of the issues to be debated have already been argued over and over in Québec in the last ten years," said Paul Inchauspé, director general of Ahuntsic College in Montréal.

"There is nothing new under the sun," Inchauspé said. "Instead, what we will be interested will be listening to people from other provinces telling us about similar problems we've faced."

According to Jacques Boucher, dean of Graduate Studies at Université de Montréal, "the specific problems of Québec aren't part of the Forum's agenda really, but one cannot avoid them."

Boucher mentioned that important themes to be discussed include the chronic underfunding situation of colleges and universities, re-establishing a credible image for universities, and making universities more involved in political and social events in Canada.

"Will there be new ideas? I don't think so," Boucher said. "It will be more a question of getting common ideas together. There are some basic ideas, some basic problems that should finally be recognized by everyone."

"But we are not inventing anything," he said, "these are just basic issues."

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FOUND — Man's black leather wallet with money, ID, etc at off-campus housing office on Thursday. Call 398-6010 to claim.

#### 374 — PERSONAL

Extra... Extra... Coming soon to a service for you... Extra hours... October 19... McGill Night-line opens from 6pm till 3... Call 398-6246!

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#### 385 — NOTICES

McGill Christian Fellowship: bible study fun night. Friday October 23. 7pm - Leacock 232.

So loud... So proud... the show of the decade. Saturday October 24, Freaks Freds and they're all going to be fried up. Gertrude's Pub.

I am looking for the South African man I met at a dance here the end of August with his friend. Please call Gayle at 486-8801.

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# Feminism of a different color

by Pierre Tordjman

"It's time to get back out in the streets," longtime Black feminist activist Angela Davis told a warm crowd of 500 last Friday at Concordia.

Organized by the Black Women Congress of Concordia, the conference centered around the topic of "Western Feminism and Women's Liberation in the Third World."

"We must find new ways of lending our effort to the struggling people of the world," she said at the beginning of a talk introduced by singer Faith Folland. From white feminism...

Davis described feminism in the Western world as the "quest for gender equality," which has a multitude of meanings. Although "there's one common factor" she said, that is "to improve the lot of society that suffers from sexism," she thinks that the diversified types of feminist movements show that there's no ideal form or definition of feminism. Feminism exists in a social, historical and economic context.

For example, the "isolation of Black women from mainstream feminism" she said, must be dealt with historically. Black women's loyalty has usually been with the working class. They don't "strive for equality with the White capitalists," and for this reason they oppose integration into mainstream feminism.

"The problem also lies in the experience of sexism varying from one activist to another." White women can have a "tendency to universalize a particular experi-



ence of sexism" she said, which would lend them to draw an idea of feminism that would be racist in essence. "Sexism is influenced by racism and class structures."

She mentioned a clash between women from capitalist countries and women from the Third World that occurred during an international conference on feminism in Mexico in 1979. Two basic ideologies were confronting each other. On one the hand feminism was seen as the fact that women want "to become like their husbands", and

on the other hand, feminism was women's quest to be "respected as human beings. Liberation means our statements should be respected at home and in the workplace" she said. The first attitude towards feminism is one of ethnocentrism and blatant racism.

"There is just as much to learn from an illiterate woman in Africa as there is in an institution like Concordia," she said while responding to the attitudes of some western people who had undergone a crusade to free the African women from the practice of clitorotomy.

She expressed her contempt of these westerners, explaining to the audience that "Action should be based on mutual respect," and not on the will to impose one's view of the "good life" to "uncultured people."

...to the Revolutionary women

"Feminist movements have undergone a process of maturation," she said, "stimulated by the increased assaults on the working class and the increase of racism." As a consequence of this, "anti-racist demands have been included by 'non-coloured' progressive groups," as during the Lesbian and Gay march in Washington two weeks ago. Davis stressed that this showed that the 'non-coloured' understood the need to participate in the struggle of Black people.

"In 1985, the Nairobi Conference marking the end of the decade for women, was a sign of both the growing maturity of the women's movement and of a better understanding of the global character of the quest. At this conference, Whites found themselves in minority," she noted. "It was a high point of the evolution of the international women's movement." People now

realize that it "is no longer possible to argue against sexism without including the other social oppressions that perpetuate violence against women."

On South Africa

Davis also discussed the significant contribution of women in leading the liberation movements in South Africa. They play a central role in the three-year old rent strikes.

"Last year, when the police shot 22 children in the Alexander Township, within hours, thousands of women demonstrated against the killings, risking their own life" she said.

"But what's exciting about the rising of women's role in South Africa," she added, "is that it shows that women's issues have been placed on the international agenda." "They are carrying the torch of the emancipation of all women around the world" she concluded. She also asserted the need to build an International Women's movement to save the children of Apartheid, because although "the victory is on the rising," she said, "we must learn to passionately embrace their cause as our own"

## Sexuality and Rule(s)

by Elizabeth Pasternak

Canadian author Jane Rule spoke at McGill on Sunday on the proposed government bill on pornography and the role of sexuality in literature.

Rule has written ten highly praised novels, as well as several essays, short stories, and articles for the *Body Politic*, a gay-lesbian publication.

Rule, whose writing emphasizes lesbian sexuality, feels encouraged by the increasing openness toward sexuality in our society. Rule said, "I find it a very exciting time in our culture in that we've been allowed to include sexuality on a more open level."

But Rule's optimism is clouded by the proposed government bill to censor pornography, Bill C-54, which is seen more as an infringement on human rights than a control of degrading and abusive imagery. Bill C-54 contains very loose definitions of pornography and does not address problems such as sexual violence.

"These new laws would change nothing with hardcore pornography," said Rule. She continued, "[Hardcore pornography] is an extension of the male elitist point of view. It's out there to keep all us nice women where we belong."

According to Rule, hardcore pornography will never be eliminated through governmental measures because they support this male elitist tradition. The government feels it is sheltering women by isolating sexual degradation in a media form that is reserved for men. Said Rule, "The government says to women, 'We will protect you as long as you stay where you are.'"

Rule opposed this reliance on the government for so-called protection. "If we vote together we'd get rid of this body that tells us what to be."

Rule also talked about the need to change our views toward sexuality. "We live in a culture that has made us hate our bodies and our sexuality." She sees this hostility toward our bodies and our sex as a statement against life itself.

She criticized the lack of education on sexuality in Western society as one of the factors contributing to this attitude. For Rule, experiences with other people, translated into literature became the best way for her to express her understanding of sexuality.

Said Rule, "I speak out of a strength of personal experience and I make a new universal. For we mustn't build our world on hatred of life, violence and destructiveness." Rule added, "The issue of sex is basic to survival and to creating the kind of world we can all live in."

Rule writes with a moral intention. "I became a writer," she said, "because I thought everyone was lying to me...someone needed to blow the whistle."

Rule said that she does not write for a specifically gay or straight audience. "I write for myself, out of my own convictions." While Rule has been classified as a lesbian writer, she explained this title was not self-imposed. "The media likes to trap us into labels and cut us off from a certain part of the public audience...I don't have a label - they come from the outside - but I won't spend my time denying anything."

## Vancouver anti-apartheid conference

by May Chiu

May Chiu is a co-coordinator of McGill's Southern Africa Committee.

In October 1975, in front of the United Nations, Prime Minister Brian Mulroney pledged, "If there is no progress for the dismantlement of apartheid, we are prepared to impose full economic sanctions."

Over 100 anti-apartheid organizations gathered in Vancouver last week to remind him of his promise, at the Parallel Commonwealth Conference.

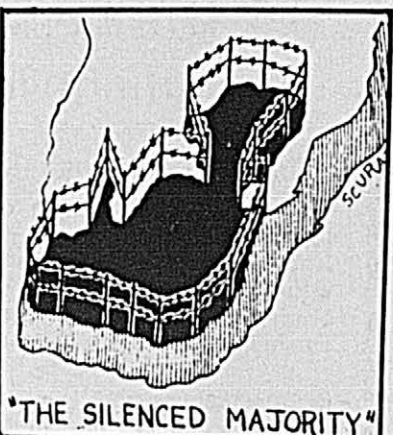
Held from the 9th to the 11th of October, the conference co-incided with the Commonwealth Conference, and included representatives from non-governmental organizations, women's groups, churches, trade unions, aboriginal peoples groups and student groups.

Dan O'Meara, research director of the Centre d'information et de documentation sur le Mozambique et l'Afrique Australe (CIDMAA) said that since Mulroney pledged full sanctions, 20,000 have been killed and over 30,000 people detained by the South African government in the struggle to end apartheid.

Since then, the extreme right has become the official opposition

party in the whites-only parliament. To O'Meara, this has signalled the end to all hope of reform.

Outside South Africa, the Frontline States have suffered from \$25 billion in damage from South Africa's attempt to destabilize their economies, and wage proxy wars through the funding of mercenary armies. The South African military still occupies Namibia, in contravention of several UN resolutions demanding the establishment of an independent Namibia.



Guest speakers at the conference included Archbishop Ted Scott, president of the Canadian Council of Churches and George Erasmus, National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations.

Erasmus supported Canadian initiatives to isolate South Africa, but

also reminded Canadians about the plight of indigenous people at home.

Two hundred delegates marched to the main post office in Vancouver in solidarity with postal workers who were picketing at the time.

Representatives of the South African Congress of Trade Unions (SACTU) and the Southwest African People's Organization (SWAPO) held workshops on the role of unions in South Africa and organized a fund-raising event to fund a SWAPO office in Canada.

Delegates organized a Canadian boycott campaign directed against Shell Oil, a major investor in South Africa, to coincide with Shell boycotts in Britain, Norway and Denmark.

Other speakers at the conference included Zambian president, Kenneth Kaunda, Dr. Paulo Mocumbi Minister of External Affairs for Mozambique, Secretary General of the Commonwealth Sri Sang Ramphal.

Also present was Dr. Johnson Mafkatini, Director of International Affairs for the African National Congress, who, adapting a quote from Victor Hugo said, "There is nothing stronger than an idea whose time has come. Time has come for majority rule in South Africa."